EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Assessment Grant

\$395,000 for hazardous substances

\$205,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the Brooke-Hancock Regional Planning and Development Council for a brownfields assessment coalition grant. Community-wide hazardous substances grant funds will be used to conduct 10 Phase I and seven Phase II environmental site assessments, and create cleanup plans for five sites. Community-wide petroleum grant funds will be used to conduct seven Phase I and four Phase II environmental site assessments, and create cleanup plans for three sites. Grant funds of both types also will be used to inventory and prioritize sites, and support community outreach activities. Assessment activities will focus on the Weirton-Steubenville Metropolitan Statistical Area in Brooke and Hancock Counties, WV, and Jefferson County, OH. Coalition partners are the Business Development Corporation of the Northern Panhandle, and Jefferson County Port Authority.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

EPA Region 3 Brownfields Team (215) 814-3173 EPA Region 3 Brownfields Web site (https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-and-land-revitalization-delaware-mar yland-pennsylvania-virginia-west)

Grant Recipient: Brooke-Hancock Regional Planning and Development Council, WV (304) 797-9666

The information presented in this fact sheet comes from the grant proposal; EPA cannot attest to the accuracy of this information. The cooperative agreement for the grant has not yet been negotiated. Therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.